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25. [REDACTED] LIAISON Thomas K. Latimer, Staff Director, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, called to tell me that he had been informed by [REDACTED] SA/DCI, that 25X1 CIA will brief unspecified Senators on the Cuban involvement in Katanga issue. Tom's reaction was very positive to this. However, he said that he had been told that CIA had allegedly put out some reports stating that the Cubans had no involvement whatsoever in any regard with the Katanganese invasion. He asked if I knew anything about this and I answered that I knew that we had consistently said that the Cubans were not directly involved in the invasion but that the Cubans had provided support. Latimer asked me to check into this and, after checking with [REDACTED] NFAC/CSS, I told Latimer 25X1 the NID for the past two weeks had consistently said that the Cubans had been involved in the training and support of the invaders, but had not been involved in the actual invasion. I agreed to have copies of some of the NID articles made up and sent down to him with Tuesday's NID. I also told Latimer that CIA had not put out any publication stating that the Cubans had not had any thing to do with them supporting the invasion.

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26. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Larry Hammond, Department of Justice, called to discuss Title IV of H. R. 12240. He explained the position of Justice and the various actions that had taken place between Executive Branch agencies concerned to iron out the problems.

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27. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called Gil Kujovich, in Department of Defense General Counsel's office, to discuss the Civil Service Reform Act and the position of DOD with respect to various provisions of the bill and his understanding of the position being taken by the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee Members and staff.

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28. [REDACTED] LIAISON Bob Dockery, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called saying that at a briefing of the Committee this morning by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance a number of questions were raised regarding the President's statements on Cuban involvement in the invasion of Zaire. Vance had referred to a paper he had seen which was prepared by CIA on the subject. Dockery said the Committee had voted to request that CIA provide the Committee that document. I said I would look into it and get back to him. I did indicate that an item had appeared in a recent NID on the subject and said we would send that article to him for his information.

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